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REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed July 3, 2006 and further to the Amendment filed on June 20, 2006, applicants request that the sheet marked "Evidence in Support of Patentability" be stricken from the June 20 amendment, and attached hereto is a corrected point 3., page 7 of the June 20 Amendment, now pages 7 and 7a, in which the drawing previously submitted as an "Explanation in Support of Patentability" is now embedded in the text of the Remarks.

This Reply is believed to be fully in compliance with the Notice, and this application is now fully in condition for allowance, and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested. The PTO is hereby authorized to charge/credit any fee deficiencies or overpayments to Deposit

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Account No. 19-4293 (Order No. 28953.7210). If further amendments would place this application in even better condition for issue, the Examiner is invited to call applicants' undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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